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# SUMMARY REPORT

ALEX was born in Chicago, Ill. He holds no known legitimate employment. He claims to be married to MARIANNE RYAN, well-known Chicago model, but marriage not verified. Resided in Chicago all his life and now lives at 4300 No. Marine Drive. ALEX is an associate of many of the top hoodlums in Chicago area, particularly of EDDY VOGEL. ALEX was formerly the bodyguard of JAKE GUZIK, influental Chicago hoodlum, now deceased. He later became the "right hand man" of GUZIK and then "enforcement officer" of the crime syndicate in Chicago. Upon GUZIK's death in 1956, ALEX reportedly took over GUZIK's position in the syndicate and today reputedly controls Chicago's "Loop" and South Side. ALEX has been questioned as a suspect by the Chicago PD in connection with many gangland type crimes and is known to the Chicago PD as a "tough, capable of the heavy work for the syndicate". ALEX also involved in illegal labor activities and gambling. Reputed to have financial interests in tavern, barber shop, liquor company, ranch, hotel and amusement Many of his hangouts known. Has traveled in Europe at least three times. Employes bodyguard-chauffeur.

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#### INFORMANTS

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3/13/58 to SA LENARD A. WOLF. This informant has furnished reliable information in the past and is an associate of certain henchmen of the subject.

T=2
Local Draft Board No. 80, 1
Selective Service System, 2319 South Wentworth Avenue, Chicago, Illinois

4/14/44, as reviewed by SA WILLIAM M. KELLY.

<u>T-3</u> CG 5733-C

In 1950 to unknown agent, and on 12/27/57 to SA ROBERT J. DENEEN. CG 5733-C is not personally acquainted with ALEX or his associates and obtained this information through contact with small-time hoodlums. He has furnished reliable information in the past.

The Inspectors L. B. MC NALLY and R. E. SHALLBERG, Alcohol Tax Unit, Chicago, Illinois

In 1946 to unknown agents.

T=5 CG 5973=C

3/14/58 to SAs C. LEONARD TREVIRANUS and WILLIAM F. ROEMER, Jr. 8/13/54 to SA TREVIRANUS. This informant is a friend of ALEX and of ALEX's wife and has furnished reliable information in the past.

 $\frac{T-6}{PCI}$  HAROLD MC ILVENY

 $\frac{T-7}{PCI}$  JOHN THOMAS MC INERNEY

T-8 Mrs. LOUIS (LULU) LE VITUS, 828 West Cuyler Avenue, Chicago (Upon request)

T-9
THOMAS MC GANN,
2222 West Giddings Street,
Chicago, Illinois
(Upon request)

T-10 NELS NIELSEN, Postal Carrier, Assigned to Evergreen Park, Illinois Post Office Contacted on a regular basis since 3/25/58 by SA ROEMER. This PCI is an elevator operator at ALEX's residence, 4300 North Marine Drive, Chicago, and has furnished reliable information in the past.

Contacted on a regular basis since 3/3/58 by SA ROEMER. This PCI is an elevator operator at ALEX's residence, 4300 North Marine Drive, and has furnished reliable infomation in the past.

3/5/58 to SA ROEMER.
This source is a former employer and a friend of ALEX's wife. Her reliability is unknown but most of her infomation has been corroborated by other sources.

6/2/58 to SA ROEMER.
This source is an elevator operator at ALEX's residence, 4300 North Marine Drive.
His reliability is unknown.

3/4/58 and 3/28/58 to SA ROEMER.
This postal carrier serves ALEX's mailing address.

T-15 Mrs. THELMA PATCH, Former Bookkeeper, Murray Hill Apartments, 4300 North Marine Drive, Chicago, Illinois (Upon request)

T-16 PCI JAMES RINI

 $\frac{T-17}{CG}$  6132-C

T-18 PCI ROBERT FESTENSTEIN 3/50 to unknown agents, Chicago Office, and 5/19/58 to SAs PAUL B. FRANKFURT and ROEMER. Mrs. PATCH is a former bookkeeper at the Murray Hill Apartments where she knew EDDY VOGEL and GUS ALEX. Her reliability is unknown, but some of her information has been confirmed by other sources.

5/1/58 to SA PAUL B. FRANKFURT. This PCI is a lieutenant of EDDY VOGEL, an associate of ALEX. He has furnished reliable information in the past.

1/3/58 to SA WILLIAM J. MC CORMICK. Informant has furnished reliable information in the past.

1/16/58 and 6/5/58 to SA ROBERT L. BAKER.
This PCI is familiar with activities of lesser known hoodlums in Chicago.
Informant has furnished reliable information in the past.

T-19 PCI ROBERT THEODORE MARTINO

T-20
JOSEPH LEBOWITZ,
Midlothian Country Club,
Midlothian, Illinois
(Upon request)

<u>T-21</u> Former CG 5809-C 12/6/57 to SA JAMES P.
BRODERICK, and on 1/19/58
to SA JOSEPH G. SHEA.
PCI is not acquainted with
ALEX but with lesser
hoodlums.
PCI has furnished reliable
information in the past.

5/8/46; 5/12/46; 6/7/46; 7/16/46; 8/30/46 and 9/10/46 to SAs DELBERT L. WOOD and RALPH J. O'CONNOR. This source has furnished reliable information in the past. He was a bookmaker in the "Loop" of Chicago and an associate of many people on the fringe of the syndicate in Chicago, including JAMES M. RAGEN, Sr., TOM BOURKE, President, Illinois Newspaper Association; DANIEL A. SERRITELLA, Political Leader, Chicago Police Department officials and others who had apparently reliable information regarding hoodlum activities in the Chicago area. He is no longer active in the bookmaking business.

3/15/56 to SA FRANCIS J. STEFANAK.
This source was familiar with hoodlum activities in the Chicago area, but is not believed to know ALEX personally. He furnished reliable information in the past. He is no longer an informant of this Office.

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T-27
Former PCI DOMINIC ABATA

T-28 PCI SAM NUKES

<u>T-29</u> CG 6218-C

T-30
Miss EILEEN EDGAR,
Clerk, Illinois Bell
Telephone Company,
Chicago, Illinois

2/1/56 to SA WALTER E. PETERS. This source was not believed to be acquainted with ALEX, but was acquainted with lesser hoodlums. His reliability is unknown.

2/26/58 to SA HAROLD D. SELL. This source does not know ALEX but knows several lesser hoodlums. He has furnished reliable information in the past.

3/19/58 to SA VINCENT L.
INSERRA.
This informant works in a handbook operated in AIEX's district on the near south side of Chicago by an associate of ALEX. He is, therefore, in a position to obtain information by hearsay regarding ALEX. He has furnished reliable information in the past.

3/26/58 to Investigative Clerk JOHN E. WHALEN.

T-24 Sergeant MICHAEL A. SERRITELLA, former Chief of Police, now Sergeant, Evergreen Park, Illinois Police Department (Upon request)

T-25
Sergeant PATRICK O'CONNOR, Chicago Police Department, Robbery Detail (Deemed advisable)

<u>T-26</u> CG 5951-C

3/5/58; 4/15/58 and 5/30/58 to SA ROEMER. This source grew up near ALEX on the near south side of Chicago and now lives two blocks from the residence of ALEX's mother in Evergreen Park, Illinois. He knows ALEX well, converses with him from time to time and also knew JAKE GUZIK and other associates of ALEX. His reliability is known and most of his information has been corroborated by other sources.

3/12/58 to SA LENARD A. WOLF.
This source has been an officer on the Chicago Police Department for many years. He has furnished reliable information in the past.

12/27/57 to SA ROBERT J. DENEEN.
This source does not know ALEX but is acquainted with several lesser hoodlums in Chicago. He has furnished reliable information in the past.

T-31
Immigration and Naturalization
Files, as furnished by INS
Investigator JOHN J. BURKE

T-32 JIMMY HARAKAS, Los Angeles PCI

T-33
ANTHONY GAMBINO,
Joliet Penitentiary
(prisoner)
(Upon request)

12/16/57 to Investigative Clerk FRANCIS G. KAH.

11/29/55 to SA JOHN J. CANNY of the Los Angeles Office. This PCI knows ALEX slightly but not well. His reliability is unknown.

5/22/58 to SA JOHN J. OITZINGER. This source has been close to numerous small time hoodlums in the Chicago area and the information he furnished, contained herein, came directly from an associate of ALEX. His reliability is unknown.

## <u>LEADS</u>

#### THE CHICAGO DIVISION

## AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Will continue to conduct investigation regarding the current activities, etcetera, of GUS ALEX in conformance

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